

Council Proceedings.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, March 28, 1887

The City Council met in the Council Chamber March 28th, with the following members in attendance:—His Worship Mayor Cowan (in the chair), Ald. C. Taylor, McDonald, Greer, Bowman, Hook, Davis, Moore, Vining, Dreaney, McIntosh, G. Taylor, Jarvis, Heaman.

Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS READ.

From W. Spencer & Co.—Asking exemption from taxes for ten years for an oil refinery to be erected in London, also for permission to lay a pipeline across Simcoe street, underground.

Upon motion of Ald. C. Taylor, seconded by Ald. Moore, the communication of W. Spencer & Co was taken up at once, on the ground of expediency.

Ald. C. Taylor moved that the request of Spencer & Co. be granted, provided they commence work within one month. Ald. Greer seconded.

In amendment, Ald. Davis moved, seconded by Ald. McDonald, that the matter be referred to No. 1 Committee.

In further amendment, Ald. Vining moved that the prayer of the petition be granted, but that the time for exemption be five instead of ten years. Ald. Dreaney seconded.

The amendment of Ald. Vining was carried.

Ald. C. Taylor moved, seconded by Ald. Greer, that a by-law be prepared in accordance therewith. Carried.

From George McNeill—Claiming that he should be awarded contract for street watering in Section 2; also from Donohue & Webb, claiming same in regard to Section 3. No. 3.

From J. M. Wilson, Market Clerk—For increase of salary.

From Thomas Connor—Claiming compensation for damage caused to his property by the grading of Hill street. No. 2.

From D. McCoubrey, Assistant Secretary Junior Y. M. C. A.—For permission to replace the fence around the horse ring on Exhibition Grounds and to use the same for athletic purposes. Granted.

From Rev. D. G. Sutherland and forty-eight others—Calling attention to the advantage of a natural museum and to the fact that the collection in the Mechanics' Institute can be secured cheap. No. 1.

From Hon. John Carling—Acknowledging receipt of resolution of Council re Private Wilson. Filed.

From J. W. Pocock and others—For erection of a sidewalk on the Exhibition Grounds property sold. No. 2.

From Bridget Moran—Re taxes. No. 1.

From C. A. Kingston—Asking the Council to become subscribers for such a number of shares as they may see fit in a company to be organized for carrying on the Western Fair, whereby the city would have a voice in the control of the grounds, erection of buildings, etc.

From Robert Boyd—Certificate re south half lot 20 on Cartwright street. No. 1.

From G. Craddock and other architects—Asking that plans for all public buildings to be erected in the city may be submitted to competition.

From G. G. Magee and a very large number of other ratepayers—Asking that before anything is done in regard to expending money on Queen's Park for a Western Fair the vote of the people be taken.

A petition was also read from T. Herbert Marsh and other ratepayers, approving of the action of the Horticultural Society and Board of Trade in regard to the Western Fair, and asking that the Council use their power to push on at once so that a fair can be held this year.

Ald. Davis moved, seconded by Ald. Hook, that the report of the Exhibition Committee be now read, and the deputa-